

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Case Docket No. 8271

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Inventor(s): MEHANSHO, et al. Confirmation No. 3459

Serial No.: 09/939,386

Group Art Unit: 1761

Date Filed: August 24, 2001

Examiner: Helen F. Pratt

Title: BEVERAGE COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING ARABINOGALACTAN AND DEFINED

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1. [X] No additional fee is known to be required.

2. [] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	*	MINUS	**	=	x \$18 =	\$
INDEP.	*	MINUS	***	=	x \$84 =	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$280 =	\$
					TOTAL	\$

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the May 16, 2003 Office Action, the following amendments and response is submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.111. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments: begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments: begin on page 5 of this paper.